



PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: WebEx and 74 Ontario St., 2nd Floor Committee Room 213

April 10, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT

In Person: Supervisors David Phillips, Fred Lightfoote, Jack Marren, Christopher Vastola, Mark Venuti, and Andrew Wickham.
Via WebEx: Supervisor Namestnik.

OTHERS PRESENT

In Person: BOS Chairman Todd Campbell, County Attorney Holly Adams, County Administrator Chris DeBolt, Deputy County Administrator Alissa Bub, Economic Developer Ryan Davis, Sustainability and Solid Waste Director Carla Jordan, Sr. Planner Regina Sousa, Planning Director Tom Harvey, Sr. Planners Betsy Landre and Tom Lyon, Sr. Fiscal Manager Michael Wojcik, Visitors Connection President Valarie Knoblauch, Visitors Connection Director of Operations Steve Laros, Cornell Cooperative Extension Director Tim Davis, Casella General Manager Brian Sanders, Soil and Water Director Megan Webster, Reporter Dave Shaw, Sam Casella, Abigail Marion, and Clerk to the Board Kristin Voss.

Via WebEx: Associate Planner Tim Jensen, Sr. Planner Linda Phillips, and AJ Magnan.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Planning & Environmental Quality Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Phillips.

MINUTES

Supervisor Lightfoote made a motion to approve the minutes of the Planning and Environmental Quality Committee meeting held on March 20, 2023. Supervisor Marren seconded the motion. The motion carried.

TEAM AGENCIES

- ♦ *Cornell Cooperative Extension*

Cornell Cooperative Extension Director, Tim Davis, let the committee know that a food and drug administration policy will be changing by June 11, 2023. Farms will have to provide a vet prescription to purchase medically important antimicrobial products that they used to get from agricultural stores. There has been a decrease in the use of these products since 2017. They are changing the policy to help protect them from being used on humans. The Extension will be holding a session on May 3 to learn how to prepare for this change in policy. The avian flu is still very serious and getting closer to Ontario County.

♦ *Soil and Water*

Mr. Casella asked for his item to not be discussion today. The group pushing to open and change NYS Soil & Water Conservation District Law in Albany haven't been successful. Some other Counties have passed resolutions opposing this, but he doesn't feel that Ontario County needs to present at resolution at this time. If something changes he will come back to committee.

CASELLA

♦ *Update*

Mr. Brian Sanders presented the following updates:

- They are prepping for erosion control
- They had no leachate or stormwater issues after the last hard rain
- The leachate tank is fully constructed and they will start leak testing on the tank Wednesday.
- They asked for a 30-day extension from DEC from original time line to install the leachate tank just in case the weather turned bad.
- The electrical line relocation has been delayed due O'Connell having to prioritize NYSEG emergency needs
- They are working on final cell construction plans

SUSTAINABILITY AND SOLID WASTE

♦ *Resolution*

Sustainability and Solid Waste Director, Carla Jordan, presented a resolution entitled, "Recognizing New York State Compost Awareness Week".

Supervisor Wickham motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Venuti seconded the motion. The motion carried.

♦ *Department Update*

Sustainability and Solid Waste Director, Carla Jordan, provided the following department updates:

- She presented and spoke about the department impact flyer for 2022
- The department attended a webinar regarding paint care. Since the paint care program went into effect in May 2022 they established 275 drop off stations and did 300 large pickups. They collected 525,000 gallons of paint from these drop off stations and large pickups. Each of the large pickups had over 100 gallons of paint. Their 2023 goal is to provide more large-scale education about the program
- She provided an update on several events that are open for registration at the moment or coming up soon. Compost bin sales also opened today.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Developer, Ryan Davis, presented the 2022 Ontario County

- ◆ *Informational* Economic Development Corporation annual report.
- ◆ *Department Update* Economic Developer, Ryan Davis, updated the committee on the following:
 - They had their quarterly review with Jim Armstrong for business retention and expansion
 - Annual reporting is completed
 - The IDA/EDC boards are now full

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- ◆ *Resolutions*

Sr. Planner, Betsy Landre, presented the following resolution entitled, “Amendment to Resolution No. 135-2023 – Authorizing a Contract with Oswego County Soil and Water Conservation District for Transfer of SFY2022-23 State Grant Funding under the Finger Lakes-Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FOLLOWPA)”.

Supervisor Lightfoote motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Marren seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sr. Planner, Betsy Landre, presented the following resolution entitled, “Authorizing a Contract with Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council for Deep Run Riparian Buffer Easement and Restoration Project – FOLLOWPA SFY2022-23”.

Supervisor Marren motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Vastola seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Planning Director, Tom Harvey, presented the following resolution entitled, “Proclamation Designating May as Fair Housing Month in Ontario County in 2023”.

Supervisor Venuti motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Vastola seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Planning Director, Tom Harvey, presented the following resolution entitled, “Authorization to Contract with the Town of West Bloomfield to Provide Code Enforcement Technical Assistance”.

Supervisor Marren motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Lightfoote seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Harvey reviewed more information for the committee regarding the neighbor notification of pesticide application law that he has spoken about in previous meetings.

TOURISM

◆ *Resolutions*

Visitors Connection President, Val Knoblauch, presented the following resolution entitled, “Resolution Designating National Tourism Week in Ontario County May 7-13, 2023”.

Supervisor Vastola motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Wickham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Visitors Connection President, Val Knoblauch, presented a short PowerPoint presentation regarding tourism. This will be the 40th anniversary of designating the first full week in May as National Tourism Week. She talked about how things have changed over the last 40 years and great economic impact tourism has on our county.

Visitors Connection President, Val Knoblauch, presented the following resolution entitled, “Authorization to Contract with the Ontario County Four Seasons Local Development Corporation for Interpretive Signage as Part of the Development and Construction of an Outdoor Interactive “Virtual Museum” Project and Budget Transfer”.

Supervisor Vastola motioned to approve this resolution. Supervisor Marren seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Supervisors Venuti and Wickham asked questions on where the funds were coming from. Ms. Knoblauch and Mr. Laros let the committee know that the 2023 funds are coming out of funds that were budgeted in the reserve funded by occupancy tax. For 2024, those funds will have to be discussed in the 2024 budget process. Mr. Laros also noted that they are hoping to possibly fund some of 2024 out of their budget. Chairman Phillips thanked Ms. Knoblauch and Mr. Laros for answering the committee’s questions and providing a website with project information. He also asked that they work with Public Work with sign placements.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

The draft RFP for a landfill consultant was sent to committee members last week. Please get any edits or comment to Alissa by the end of week.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Supervisor Wickham seconded by Supervisor Lightfoote, the meeting was adjourned at 2:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristin A. Voss, Clerk to the Board